

*Chair: Julie Pond*

*Co-Vice Chairs: Katie Kennedy, Wendy Walker*

*Secretary: Katherine Salinas*

**In attendance:** Julie Pond, Chair; Dan Corum; Carl Pierce; Katie Kennedy, Katie Salinas; Rob Stephenson

**Absent:** Signe Gilson; Wendy Walker

**Staff:** Vicky Beaumont; Linda Rogers; Carl Woestwin, Steve Hamai, Luis Hillon

**Guests:** Neal Parry; Jodi Vice; Bill Lasby, KC Public Health

5:05 pm Call to Order

### **Administration:**

#### **Chair Report:**

- Chair report
  - King County SWAC visit – Chair is Joe Casalini of Allied Waste
    - Shared summary of 2012 issues
    - Mr Casalini will visit a Seattle SWAC meeting in the near future
- Feb 2012 minutes approved
- **Feb action items:**
  - Rates recommendation letter has been redrafted; is at final review stage

### **Monthly Topics:**

#### **5. Every Other Week (EOW) Solid Waste Pickup Pilot – Briefing and Discussion**

Carl Woestwin, Steve Hamai and Luis Hillon presented overview of how block groups have been determined. Primary points discussed included:

- Sample design:
  - Sample size approximately 800 customers
  - Used American 5-year Community Survey from 2005-2009 at the census block group level
  - Goal was to find block groups with demographics representative of the City of Seattle as a whole while including diverse, linguistically isolated, and low income populations
  - Sample required variation among the block groups, that is, different service providers
- Criteria used included
  - Focus on blocks with single family households
  - Family size
  - Income
  - Race
  - Language
  - Routes
  - One non “little Seattle” neighborhood was chosen, because it will provide more data on low income, and diverse racial and language factors.
- Pilot slated to begin in June 2012
- Outreach to chosen neighborhoods will occur in May
- Will be on-going surveys and follow-up to assess results of EOW Pilot

- Questions raised during briefing included:
  - Was education cost taken into account?
  - How are language barriers being handled?
  - What options are available? For example, what is available for the elderly where the additional weight of the can is not an option?
  - Will contamination in yard waste be monitored?
- Outreach draft letter for targeted neighborhoods was provided; SWAC feedback is welcomed
- How frequently does SWAC want updates on pilot? (Monthly through sub-committee)

## 6. SWAC 2012 Work Plan – Review & Discussion

Chair Julie Pond led discussion on work plan items. Items were reviewed for inclusion or exclusion from the plan, and timelines set

- SWAC desires tour of South Transfer Station before it opens, possibly in May. Possibly include monthly meeting on site at end of tour.

## 7. Wrap Up

### Action Items:

- Send feedback on EOW draft letter to Julie Pond by March 15th; she will compile comments, and forward to Carl Woestwin
- EOW sub-committee will coordinate with Carl to schedule more meetings
- Vicky will send Carl's phone# to members
- Revised Rates recommendation letter will be finalized; after Julie's review, she will share with the rest of the SWAC before forwarding it to SPU.
- Tour/meeting at new South Transfer Station – Vicky
- Revised 2012 work plan. Vicky will edit and send to Chair for final approval.

### Recommendations

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### Preliminary Agenda for Next Meeting – Apr 4, 2012, Room SMT 5965

- Approve March 2012 minutes
- Sub-committees updates – Rates and EOW
- Waste Prevention activities

7:00 PM - Meeting adjourned